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To: SAC Reps
From: Don McEwen & Amanda Maks
Date: Monday, August 27th, 2012
Time: 12:30 p.m.
Place: Royal Vale High School Auditorium
5851 Somerled Ave. NDG (Draper entrance)

Minutes

100 Additions to and approval of Agenda
HSBHS Basketball Tournament
Water Polo

200 2012-13

201 Calendar: Indoor Soccer Season – Division 1 will be starting on Nov. 26th and end in March. Div. 3 will run from January to April.
The group was reminded that boys Touch Football will be offered at all age groups. (We will need a minimum of 4 teams to run a league in an age group). Indoor T&F dates have been confirmed. We are still waiting for confirmation of the swimming dates.

202 Entry deadlines / Pre-season meetings / Scheduling meetings – The list of sports with the entry deadlines and pre-payments was distributed. Our costs have increased – especially things like referee fees (because of gas prices) and affiliation and membership fees. The pre payments are higher than last year - hopefully a more accurate estimate of what the sport will cost to run. We would like to avoid any surprises when you get your bills at the end of the season. Please get your pre-payments as soon as possible. We need that money to run the activities – bills for officials, awards etc. all come in before the seasons end and we have to pay them.

Don mentioned that we will **not** be holding Pre-season meetings apart from the scheduling meetings. They have been very poorly attended requiring that everything discussed had to be repeated at the scheduling meetings anyway.

It was mentioned that last year some schools got away with **not sending 1 coach** per team to the scheduling meetings by taking several student runners thus having one **person** per team (as the rule was worded) but there was still **only 1 person doing the scheduling for several teams. This is unacceptable – please follow the regulations that have been adopted by SAC!**

You need to have one person per team to do the scheduling for that team.



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Age Categories – We will be using the same age groups as we followed last year (Basketball & Rugby will be based on the 1-2-2 model). This will be evaluated at the end of the year. All other sports (except hockey and bantam football which remain the same as always) will still follow the 2-2-1 model as in past. **It is important that you check the ages of your players carefully. Someone that is bantam in soccer or volleyball could be midget in basketball and rugby.**

- 202 Starting times/early dismissals: Please remember that schools are not obliged to start games before 3:30pm. If both coaches agree, it is not a problem, but they cannot be required to start earlier – even if one of the schools finishes their day earlier. The same thing applies to schools that finish later – they are not required to disrupt their regular Phys. Ed classes so that games can start at 3:30. They could still be asked to travel for a 3:30 start. Playoff games will need to start at 3:00pm in case of overtime.
- 203 Statements / Pre Payments – Statements updated to August 21st were handed out. If you think there is an error, please call the office. Kindly use any credit you have on the first activity you enter, **and send us any balance owing from June asap.**
- 204 Non Member Schools & travel & playoffs: A copy of the letter sent to all Non-Member schools was distributed. Member schools are not required to travel to off-island non-member schools. **Please make sure that your coaches are aware of this before the scheduling meetings – do not agree to travel at the meeting and then ask to change it later.** All playoff games will be at the home of the member school.
- 206 Coaches Commitment Forms: Only send a form for a coach once – we do not need one for each sport (exception is Rugby). You can also list several people on one form to cut down on the paper work.
- 207 Media coverage / Championship Photos / Cub Reporters: We will once again be covered by the Suburban Newspaper. The Cub reporter project will be in place again this year. If you are interested in having a Cub reporter, please contact Amanda and she will give you the contact at the Suburban. Please encourage your students to get involved.
- 208 Sportsmanship / carry over suspensions: Don will be contacting schools that appear to have suspensions that were not completed. These carry over to this year, including CEGEP in some cases, so we need to know if the student has graduated as well.

Please be reminded that any student who receives a suspension **is not eligible for any GMAA game until the suspension has been served in the sport it was received.** (This means that they could miss games in other sports as well until the suspension is served).



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- 209 Concussion Package: A letter describing an evaluation process that will be done by the doctors was included. Please encourage your coaches to take advantage of this service. Contact the office if you need another kit. It is also on the MCH website and can be copied so everyone has it.
- 210 Handbook Revisions / June minutes/ Volleyball Proposal(RSEQ) - The minutes contain several Handbook changes that were passed last June. These will be in effect for the 2012-2013 school year so please take the time to read them and inform your coaches.

The RSEQ will be using the following net heights for volleyball. Please inform your coaches so that it can be discussed at the scheduling meeting on Sept. 10th.

	GMAA	RSEQ
BG	2m10	2m15
MG	2m15	2m24
JG	2m24	2m24
BB	2m20	2m24
MB	2m35	2m35
JB	2m35	2m43

- 300 Procedures
- 301 Score sheets/Sports line: Score sheets are to be sent in as soon as possible and the sports line (the number is on every score sheet) **MUST** be called the night of the game. These are the responsibilities of the **Home Team**. All score sheets are to be signed by the staff member responsible for the team.
- 302 Schedule Changes: Please send your coaches to the scheduling meetings with all conflicts **so that there are as few changes as possible**. Schedule changes that are made after the 1 week grace period following the posting of the schedule will carry a charge of \$10.00 if they are not because of an emergency. These must be agreed to **by both coaches** before **noon of the school day prior to the scheduled start.**
- 303 No home field: Schools with no home field could be asked to cover the cost of the additional rental fees. A school is not obliged to host someone that does not have a field a second time. In this case, it will be the responsibility of that school to find a neutral site.



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- 404 Physiotherapy – Anyone needing the services of a therapist should contact the office for contacts.
- 405 Invitational Cross country meets – If anyone is planning to organize a race, please let us know. We have had a request from a school in Toronto to attend some events.
- 406 RSEQ report – The latest report was distributed. Several changes will be implemented this year – especially for teams attending Provincial Championships. More details will follow.
- 407 HSBHS Basketball Tournament- Information on the Clint Dunning Memorial Tournament was distributed. If interested, please contact Leo Scantlebury or Max Audette at Howard S Billings HS.
- 408 Water Polo – A couple of schools expressed interest in starting a water polo program. If interested, please contact the office or Jane Crutchfield at BHS.